

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Confirmation No. 2294

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METHOD FOR IMMOBILISING  
MICROORGANISMS, RELATED MATERIAL,  
AND USE THEREOF  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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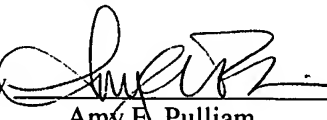
Sir:

Petition hereby is made for a one month extension of time to respond to the communication of  
June 20, 2006.

- The fee of \$60.00 is
- ☒ (X) submitted herewith.
  - ☐ ( ) to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.
  - ☐ ( ) Small entity status of this application is established by a Small Entity Status Assertion which
    - ☐ ( ) is enclosed.
    - ☐ ( ) has been previously submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

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